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SUBJECT: ROC AGENT RETURNS TO CHINA

1. PEKING IS CLAIMING THAT A FORMERLY CAPTURED ROC LIEUTENANT, RELEASED ALONG WITH FIVE OTHERS TO TAIWAN IN FEBRUARY 1976, HAS BEEN "FORCIBLY" SENT BACK TO THE MAINLAND. ACCORDING TO AN NCNA RELEASE APRIL 3, WANG LI-MIN - WHOSE WIFE HU CHIH-HUI IS NOW A U.S. CITIZEN - WAS HELD UNDER DETENTION BY THE INTELLIGENCE OFFICE OF THE NATIONAL DEFENSE MINISTRY UPON ARRIVAL IN TAIPEI, BEING CHARGED INTER ALIA WITH "BETRAYAL" AND "MUTINY." ADDITIONALLY, HE WAS NOT ALLOWED TO SEE HIS CHILDREN, AND HIS WIFE RETURNED IN VAIN FROM THE U.S. TO TAIPEI LAST YEAR TO SEE HIM.

2. ACCORDING TO THE ARTICLE, WANG CLAIMS HIS FELLOW RELEASEES ARE STILL IN JAIL. HE ALSO CLAIMS THAT THE ROC, WANTING NEITHER TO RELEASE THE DETAINEES NOR HOLD THEMSELVES VULNERABLE TO CRITICISM FOR DETAINING THEM, FORCED HIM TO RETURN TO THE MAINLAND TO CARRY OUT ESPIONAGE ACTIVITIES. HE WAS PUT IN A BOAT ON FEBRUARY 6TH, AND SURRENDERED HIMSELF TO THE PLA NAVY
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THAT SAME EVENING.

3. COMMENT: THE CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING WANG'S RETURN TO THE PRC ARE CURIOUS TO SAY THE LEAST. FOLLOWING THE REFUSAL OF THE ROC TO ACCEPT 10 RELEASED KMT "WAR CRIMINALS" IN THE SPRING OF 1975, THE ROC DID ACCEPT 60 "SPECIAL AGENTS" RELEASED BY THE

PRC IN OCTOBER OF THAT YEAR, AS WELL AS WANG'S
GROUP OF SIX 4 MONTHS LATER. IT IS THEREFORE PUZZLING
WHY THE ROC WOULD WANT TO SEND ANY OF THIS GROUP BACK
TO THE MAINLAND.
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